



United States European Command

MAJOR GENERAL MICHAEL J. McCARTHY

Director, Plans and Policy Directorate

Major General Michael J. McCarthy, United States Air Force, is the Director, Plans and Policy Directorate, Headquarters, United States European Command, Stuttgart, Germany. He assumed this position in July 1996.

The General was born May 3, 1945 in Iron Mountain, Michigan, and graduated from high school in Niagara, Wisconsin in 1963. He entered the Air Force in 1967 as a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Reserve Officer Training Corps program and earned a Master of Science degree from Troy State University, Alabama in 1977. The General has previously commanded air wings and has also served in a number of staff positions. He is a command pilot, having flown more than 4,000 hours, principally in bomber and transport aircraft. He also flew C-130 tactical transports and B-52 bombers in Vietnam.



General McCarthy is married to the former Carol Crawford of Madison, Wisconsin. They have two children, a daughter, Jane, and a son, Paul both living in Denver, Colorado.

EDUCATION:

- 1967 Bachelor of Science degree, University of Wisconsin
- 1974 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
- 1977 Master of Science degree, Troy State University, Alabama.
- 1979 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
- 1987 National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 Senior Officials in National Security Course, Harvard University, Massachusetts.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. October 1967 - July 1968, Base Supply Officer, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.
2. July 1968 - July 1969, Student, Pilot Training, Craig Air Force Base, Alabama.
3. July 1969 - November 1969, Student, C-130 Crew Training, Sewart Air Force Base, Tennessee.
4. December 1969 - October 1972, Pilot, 463rd Tactical Airlift Wing, Clark Air Base, Philippines
5. November 1972 - February 1976, Pilot, 96th Bomb Wing (Heavy), Dyess Air Force Base, Texas
6. February 1976 - July 1977, Instructor, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
7. July 1977 - August 1978, Aide to the Commandant, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
8. August 1978 - June 1979, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
9. July 1979 - July 1981, Pilot, 438th Military Airlift Wing, McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey.

10. July 1981 - March 1982, Chief, Airlift Control Element, McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey.
11. March 1982 - April 1984, Air Operations Staff Officer, Strategy Division, Directorate of Plans and Programs, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
12. April 1984 - July 1986, Executive Officer to the Assistant Vice Chief of Staff, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
13. July 1986 - June 1987, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. August 1987 - July 1988, Assistant Director of Operations, 62nd Military Airlift Wing, McChord Air Force Base, Washington
15. July 1988 - June 1989, Vice Commander, 62nd Military Airlift Wing, McChord Air Force Base, Washington
16. June 1989 - June 1991, Commander, 62nd Military Airlift Wing, McChord Air Force Base, Washington
17. June 1991 - May 1992, Special Assistant for Joint Matters, the Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.
18. June 1992 - August 1994, Commander 374th Airlift Wing, Yokota Air Base, Japan
19. August 1994 - July 1996, Director of Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
20. July 1996 - Present, Director, Plans and Policy Directorate, Headquarters, United States European Command, Patch Barracks, Germany

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: 4,000

Aircraft flown: C-130, B-52, C-141, and UH-1

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Vietnam Service Medal

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm

Kuwait Liberation Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant - Oct 6, 1967

First Lieutenant - Apr 6, 1969

Captain - Oct 6, 1970

Major - Oct 6, 1981

Lieutenant Colonel - Dec 1, 1983

Colonel - Dec 1, 1986

Brigadier General - Dec 1, 1992

Major General - Mar 14, 1996

AS OF 3 OCTOBER 1996

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